

THE HONORABLE JAMAL N WHITEHEAD

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE**

IN RE VALVE ANTITRUST LITIGATION

Case No. 2:21-cv-00563-JNW

**SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION OF
WILLIAM W. BUCHER IN FURTHER
SUPPORT OF MOTION TO APPOINT
HAGENS BERMAN SOBOL SHAPIRO
LLP AND BUCHER LAW PLLC AS
INTERIM CO-LEAD CLASS COUNSEL**

This Filing Relates to:

ALL ACTIONS

I, William Ward Bucher IV, declare that the following statements are true and correct, based on personal knowledge:

1. I am the founder and principal of Bucher Law PLLC. I have personal knowledge of the facts in this declaration, to which I would competently testify if called upon to do so.

2. Bucher Law attorneys and staff have spent more than 8,000 hours litigating antitrust cases on behalf of consumers against Valve Corporation in arbitrations since 2023. The work Bucher Law has performed in arbitrations is summarized in my Declaration dated December 20, 2024 (*see* ECF No. 412-2).

3. I have spent more than 4,000 hours litigating these consumer antitrust claims. My understanding, based on the hours reported by competing class counsel and my communications with

Valve's own counsel is that this means no attorney in the country has more experience litigating consumer antitrust claims against Valve Corporation.

4. Bucher Law is committed to encouraging diversity in the practice of law. For example, the firm uses a "blind testing" approach to hiring where attorney candidates who meet the minimum qualifications are permitted to demonstrate their abilities by taking a four-hour examination covering skills and knowledge used in the firm's practice. Because candidates are selected by demonstrated ability, rather than the subjective social impressions, implicit bias in the hiring process is reduced. The process further enables non-traditional candidates, such as attorneys who have taken time off to raise children and are looking to return to the work force, to compete on equal footing with more traditional applicants. The results have been remarkable: all hires since the process was implemented contribute to racial or gender diversity at the firm.

5. Bucher Law PLLC is also committed to developing opportunities for new attorneys to have meaningful opportunities in court, with appropriate supervision. The proposed Bucher Law team for this case is comprised of Hispanic, Black, and Asian attorneys of varying experience levels.¹



Will Bucher is Bucher Law PLLC's founder and principal. He has spent more than 4,000 hours litigating these consumer antitrust claims. No attorney in the country has more experience litigating consumer antitrust claims against Valve Corporation.



Douglas Quzack is a Bucher Law PLLC associate with more than a decade of experience who was recently recruited for his antitrust class action experience, which includes successfully litigating an antitrust class action over Carfax's alleged monopoly in the car reports market.



Nived Rajendran is an associate who has devoted more than 900 hours to these claims. Mr. Rajendran availed himself of the opportunities for litigation experience this case provides, conducting eleven direct examinations during the firm's trials against Valve on these claims.

¹ Doug Quzack will begin employment full-time at Bucher Law PLLC on January 27, 2025.

1 6. A true and correct copy of the Letter from Bucher Law PLLC to Arbitrator John E.
2 Ohashi, *Re: 25 Individual Claimants v. Valve Corporation d/b/a Steam: Claimant's Objection to*
3 *Valve's Second Motion to Dismiss for Lack of Jurisdiction*, dated October 21, 2024, is attached as
4 Exhibit 1.

5 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is
6 true and correct.

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8 DATED: January 10, 2024

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